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This reference is concerned with the brewing device for coffee makers wherein coffee filled in a funnel 19 via a metering device formed in a container 20. Water is laterally supplied via the line 13. The so brought together mixture is then guided along a propeller 14 and a cone cap 15 for an improved mixing of the mixture. After the extraction, the motor 6 that sets the sieve arrangement 10 into rotation is switched on, whereby the coffee grounds are separated from the coffee drink that flows to the discharge 17, while the coffee grounds remain in the sieve chamber. For cleaning, the sieve chamber water flows in via the cleaning pipe 16 and then flows off via the discharge flow-through tube 8 into the outlet opening 16, with the sieve chamber 10 not rotating. Coffee is mixed and solid components are subsequently separated from the liquid ones by means of the filter sieves 10, 11.

The conical disk 15 of this reference merely serves as a guide device.

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This reference is concerned with a device for producing milk frothy cream for coffee drinks, in particular cappuccino coffee. Here, steam 7 is guided via a tube 5 to the outlets 8 and is there once again mixed by means of a stirring paddle 4. Formed on the side of the tube 1 are air slots 5 and 6, mixing the steam with air. It is not powdery soluble coffee that is mixed by the stirring paddle 4, but only a steam-air-mixture.

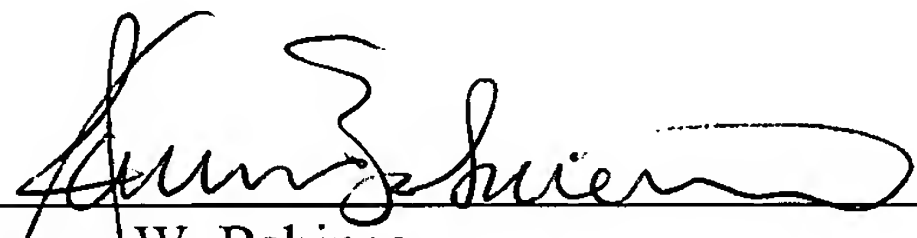
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This document is directed to a cyclone-mixing device for the continuously mixing of powdery materials with fluidities. Here, powdery material is filled in the mixing chamber 5 via a funnel 3. At the same time, a fluid is added to the mixing chamber 5 via a suction pipe 7. The powder and the fluid get onto the rotating pump wheel 9, which conveys this mixture to the outlet 15 via the rim 11. Here again, it is not soluble powder that is dissolved in the water and subsequently frothed up, but a powder-fluid-mixture that is mixed and supplied to the outlet 15.

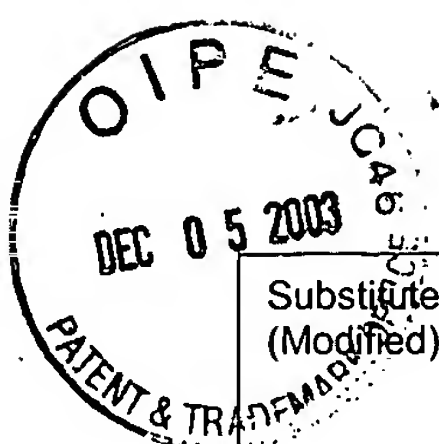
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